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East Germany: The East Germans have shown their disdain for diplomatic talks on West Berlin by harassing the city's mayor.

Mayor Klaus Schuetz, one of the most outspoken proponents of better relations with the East, was returning to the city by train after a campaign speech in Duesseldorf when he was detained by East German border guards. He was ordered to leave his sleeping car in the early morning hours at the Marienborn checkpoint, just inside East German territory. After a 20-minute delay while the East Germans "cleared something up," Schuetz was allowed to continue, but on a later train.

An East German Foreign Ministry spokesman later in the day cited the involvement of West Berlin in the West German election campaign as a violation of the city's status as an "independent political entity." He was probably referring to Schuetz's Duesseldorf speech in behalf of the Social Democratic Party.

Last month's Allied demarche to the Soviets called, among other things, for Soviet approval of informal talks between West and East Germany. Pan-kow's recent attitude is an attempt to pour cold water on this idea and underscores East German nervousness over the Soviet response to the Allies which, the East Germans probably believe, could slight their interests.

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